

Appn. No. 10/700,578
Amdt. dated May 4, 2005
Reply to Office action of April 7, 2005

REMARKS / ARGUMENTS

This letter is responsive to the Office Action mailed April 7, 2005.

The examiner has required restriction between what is considered Invention I claims 1 through 11, and Invention II, claims 12 and 13.

The applicant elects to proceed with the invention of group II, that is claims 12 and 13, without prejudice to applicant's right to file one or more divisional applications as may be determined pertinent.

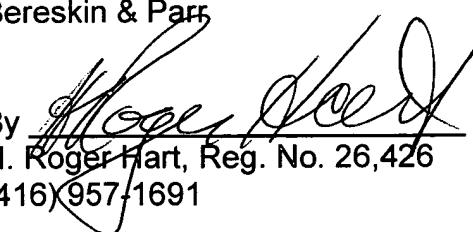
The examiner has also indicated that the application contains claims directed to distinct species. Applicant elects to proceed with the species I as depicted in figure 7.

It is noted that the examiner considers claims 1, 10 and 12 to be generic. However, it is believed that all of the claims remaining in the case, namely claims 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20 and 21 are readable thereon.

It is believed that this is fully responsive to the examiner's election/restriction requirement and further prosecution of the application is respectfully requested.

In view of the number of total claims cancelled and the additional claims added and in view of the number of independent claims cancelled and added, it is believed that no additional fees are required either for independent claims or in respect of the total number of claims.

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